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Chip,

Thanks for the follow up information. We are disappointed that the Milestone meeting has been postponed. We find these meetings useful and productive, and believe they are important to keeping our effort on a path toward a ROD in 2010. Therefore, we appreciate your commitment to reschedule the meeting as soon as possible, and hopefully no later than the end of January 2008.

This is a critical time for evaluating whether work on the Portland Harbor RI/FS can be managed to allow EPA to promulgate a final record of decision (ROD) in 2010. We have a shared interest in getting to a 2010 ROD, and the Milestone Meetings are a significant tool to help us stay on track. The LWG management team looks forward to meeting with you and Eric on November 13th to discuss specific near-term and long-term issues that could have significant schedule implications. Some of these issues, such as obtaining comments on the Comprehensive Round 2 Report from EPA, must be initiated within weeks as opposed to months in order to maintain the project schedule.

Again thanks,

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Jim

This is to follow up on my earlier heads up to you about postponing the Milestone Meeting. As previously noted, EPA needs postpone the Milestone Meeting with the LWG that was tentatively scheduled for November 15th because of some scheduling conflicts on our end. We apologize for the inconvenience and understand that it may difficult to juggle everyone's calendars and come up with a new date for the meeting later this month or even next month, so we are proposing that we move the meeting to January or February 2008. The majority of the field work, with some limited exceptions, should be completed by then and it may be a good time to revisit the schedule and other issues of interest.

Please let us know if that timeframe is acceptable to the LWG representatives and we can start working on new dates. We should also be thinking ahead about issues that the senior managers would like to focus on for the meeting. In the meantime, if there are any critical issues that you think we need to discuss and/or elevate to the senior managers prior to the meeting, please let us know.

Thanks Chip Humphrey